Recycling Materials RFP RFP NO: 6301-0131-BA

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Responses and clarification to questions received regarding the Recycling Materials RFP.

- 1. Will the city offer a preference to any firm who will sort the commingled recyclable materials within the City of Fort Smith over firms who will ship the materials outside the City of Fort Smith for sortation? If so, what weight will be given?
 No
- 2. Can the city provide a breakdown of the commingled residential materials by percentage of each grade including the average percentage of trash contamination?

 Unfortunately since our current vendor does not have the capability to sort, the breakdown requested is not available.
- 3. With regards to the matrix outlining Recycled Materials Collected in tons 2017- 2019, can you explain why the volumes for all types of materials more than doubled for year 2018 as compared to 2018. I suspect that the record keeping for year 2017 began when the current vendor took over the program, but would like to confirm. The contract was signed in the summer of 2017; therefore, 2017 reported only half the year.
- 4. With regards to Exhibit "A", I do not see a place to note a processing costs. Are we to subtract the processing costs from the price structure column? For example, if our processing cost to segregate and bale HDPE High Density Polyethylene is \$50 per ton, should I note in the price structure column as "Monthly Index price minus \$50 per ton"? As an alternative, can we bid a separate processing cost per ton of materials received and then place a higher value in the Price Structure column. Please advise on what the city prefers and or expects.

The City would prefer that you list it with a per ton cost with higher value in the price structure.